

E. D. COOKE DEAD.

The Chicago Congressman Expires
in His Room at a Hotel in
Washington.

BODY DISCOVERED BY THE CLERK.

Ryan Makes a Speech—Says the People
Need a New Doctor—
Director of Steamship
Line Dies.

Washington, June 24.—Representative Edward Dean Cooke, of Chicago, dropped dead this morning at the Cochran hotel, at heart disease.

Mr. Cooke retired to his room in the Cochran hotel at 11 last night, apparently in perfect health. At 3 this morning the night clerk was called to his room and found him suffering from nausea, but he soon recovered. He declined to have a physician called. He returned to bed and nothing further was thought of the matter until the clerk went to his room about 5 o'clock, when he apparently had been dead for some time.

Cooke was a native of Iowa and was 48 years old. He was educated in the public schools of Dubuque and graduated from Columbian university law school in Washington. Since 1878 he practiced law in Chicago. In 1888 he was elected to the 55th congress from the sixth Illinois district and was re-elected to the present congress.

Examination to-day developed the fact that death was due to clot on the heart.

Funeral Announced in the House.
Washington, June 24.—After reading the journal, Foss of Illinois, announced the death of his colleague, Mr. Cooke. The usual resolution of respect was passed and a committee was appointed to attend the funeral and the house adjourned till Monday.

Wants to be the Doctor.
Lamar Mo., June 24.—Hon. W. J. Ryan spoke here ten minutes this morning from the platform of a car to a crowd of 1000 people while en route to Carthage. He was cheered lustily. He said the people had discovered their ailment, but had taken the wrong medicine. "What is needed," he added, "is a change of doctors."

John Meyer Dead.
Hamburg, June 24.—John Meyer, the director of the Hamburg-American steamship line, died today.

EXPEDITION MEETS DISASTER.

Report That Baron Dhanis and His Entire Force on the Nile Have Been Killed.

Brussels, June 24.—The Reforme says learns from good sources that the entire Dhanis expedition to the headwaters of the Nile, including Baron Dhanis himself, has been massacred.

Baron Dhanis last year enlisted six thousand men in the Congo Free State to take part in a secret expedition. The British government allowed a number of its Sudanese troops to join the expedition. The general impression is that the force intended to act in conjunction with the Anglo-Egyptian expedition up the Nile and take the Mahdists between two fires, and eventually complete the reconquest of the Sudan.

In August last Baron Dhanis was reported to have arrived at Lake, on the Nile, 395 miles north of Victoria Nyanza. It is understood that the expedition would push northward in the direction of Khartoum. Early in December the reports say the expedition met disaster and Baron Dhanis was killed. Later it was authoritatively stated that there is no ground for the report that when last heard from the baron was at Stanley Falls, 800 miles from the nearest British force.

Foraker and Hanna.
Washington, June 24.—Senator Foraker is not losing much sleep over the trouble Governor Bushnell is having in Ohio, and it is a matter of current gossip here that the governor and senator from the Buckeye state "are decidedly on the wane." An intimation to this effect was given by Senator Hanna before he left for Ohio to engage in the senatorial campaign, but the matter has been kept quiet with a view to avoiding any further political complications in that state.

Senator Foraker's continued presence in Washington at this time, although ostensibly for the purpose of looking after the wool interests in the tariff bill, is really only carrying out a program that was agreed upon between Senator Hanna and himself before the Warwick of the administration started westward with the view to securing a legislature to elect him to succeed himself in the United States

senate. There have been repeated demands for Foraker to come out and help Bushnell and Chairman Kurts, but he has turned a deaf ear to all entreaties of this kind, and is laughing in his sleeve at the hard row which Governor Bushnell has set out to hoe. There is a perfect understanding between Foraker and Hanna as to the conduct of the senatorial campaign, and assurances have been given Foraker that if Hanna is successful there will be nothing too good for Foraker if he will only keep his hands off and stay out of the fight.

EXTRA SESSION IN ILLINOIS.

Assembly Official Says One Will Be Called for Next October.

Springfield, Ill., June 24.—A prominent officer of the fortieth general assembly and one of the best known politicians in Illinois was here for several hours yesterday and stated semi-authoritatively that Governor Tanner would soon issue a call for an extra session of the legislature, and had about decided upon the second Tuesday of October as the date.

The object of the special session, the official said, would be for the consideration of revenue and apportionment legislation—nothing more.

The same official is authority for the statement that the session will probably last only about three weeks. Governor Tanner is enjoying a vacation among the Minnesota lakes; Acting Governor Northcott is at his home in Bond county, and Colonel J. Mack Tanner, son of and private secretary to Governor Tanner, said he knew nothing about the matter, and had nothing to say regarding it.

GERMAN SINGERS.

The Seegerband Meets Some Difficulties on Account of Large Expenses.

Philadelphia, June 24.—There is considerable excitement among the German singing societies over the reports that every large New York and Brooklyn societies would withdraw from the northeastern seegerband on account of the heavy expense of training the large chorus and sending the large delegations to the triennial fests. Inquiry developed the fact that the Arion of Brooklyn, threatened to withdraw, but after Brooklyn was selected as the next meeting place the society partly withdrew its objections.

POOR OF LONDON FEASTED.

Jubilee Dinner Given to Thousands by the Princesses of Wales.

London, June 24.—The Princess of Wales' jubilee dinners to the poor today were very successful. Three thousand denizens of the slums were sumptuously fed. The princess, accompanied by the Prince of Wales and other members of the royal family, visited the principal places where the feasts were given. At the People's palace 1000 ragged children were stuffed with roast beef and potatoes, pies, tarts, blanc mange, jellies, apples, oranges and ice cream. The fare at other points was the same. The royal party received an ovation everywhere.

AERONAUT KILLED.

Lynchburg, Va., June 24.—Walker Steele, traveling balloonist, met a tragic death yesterday in the presence of an immense crowd of spectators while attempting an ascension at Rivermont park.

The balloon had been placed in a small circular opening in a large body of woods. When the ropes were out the gas-inflated bag started rapidly upward, and just as the main body of the balloon reached the tops of the trees it was struck by a strong gust of wind and carried with terrific force against the branches of a tree which stood on the margin of a deep ravine. The aeronaut was hurled with tremendous force against a limb of the tree, his neck being broken by the contact. The body fell, and when approached by the spectators was found to be unrecognizable. An aunt and sister of the dead man are said to have met death in a similar manner.

Railroad Company Held Responsible.
New York, June 24.—The coroner's jury investigating the accident at the Valley stream resulted in the killing of five members of a coaching party on Decoration day, rendered a verdict today that the Long Island railroad company was originally negligent in not having a signal bell at the crossing, in working order.

Latin Union to Cede More Silver.
Bern, June 24.—The federal council authorized the Swiss minister at Paris to sign supplementary convention concluding with the states of the Latin Monetary Union, increasing the proportion of silver coins to be struck by each of the contracting parties. The step is due to the deficiency of small change.

Heat in Kansas.

Kansas City, June 24.—The most intense heat in central Kansas for several years has been experienced in the past four days. The thermometer has averaged 100, finally reaching 104. There has been many prostrations among farmers and at some points harvest work has been abandoned.

A SPANISH HELL.

Cubans Capture a Prison Which Yields a Story of Awful Cruelty.

IT IS A HIDDEN DUNGEON.

In Which Men and Women Had Been Incarcerated for Six Months With but One Meal a Day.

Havana, June 24.—At Below Colian, in Matanzas Province, the insurgents released twenty-three prisoners from jail last week, five of whom had been held without charges, as far as they knew, for three years. After getting these men and women out the insurgents were about to burn the jail, a small stone structure, when the prisoners begged them not to until they had searched the place, as they felt sure that more prisoners were still in it. The Cubans began tearing down the jail, but not until the building was in ruins did they discover a secret-dungeon underneath. There, in a small cell, hardly large enough for them to turn about in were four men. In a second cell were three women.

The women were almost insane, and it was some time before they could tell their stories. One had been a belle of the city, and had been imprisoned because she resisted the advances of the colonel commanding the troops there. The other two were confined for having relatives in the Cuban army, but the reason for imprisoning them in this horrible hole was not ascertained. They were fed only once a day, and, as no light entered the place, their existence was almost intolerable. They had been in there six months, but all seemed mere weeks when taken out, and could not bear the sunlight. The men were not in any better condition and two of them have since died.

At Brana, west of Havana, insurgents made a raid Sunday night, capturing thirty-four men on garrison duty. They were stripped of their clothing and sent back to Havana absolutely nude. They were intercepted at the outposts and taken to the barracks, as the officials are very careful to make the Havana residents believe in the fiction that the insurgents do not dare to come near the capital. The Cubans also burned four dwellings belonging to Spanish officials in Havana and demolished a half built block house. After doing this the raiders rode around the city, even coming within a quarter of a mile of the big fortifications on the new Weyer road, as it is called, where over 1000 troops are quartered. The insurgent forces consisted of about 400 men, and it is supposed that the dashing officer Rodriguez was in command.

BULLET STOPS A MANIAC.

Fred Bergen Stabs a Policeman, and Arouses the Town Until Shot Fatally by Chief Bates.

Chicago, June 24.—Crazed with drink, and as a prelude to his violent death, Fred Bergen ran amuck in Harvey last evening, stabbing right and left, and breaking and destroying objects in his path. Policeman Healy, who tried to arrest him, was stabbed three times, and Chief of Police Bates saved his own life only by putting a bullet into Bergen, from the effects of which he died at St. Luke's hospital yesterday afternoon.

Before he was taken Bergen spread terror through the quiet little town of Harvey. He rushed down the street flourishing a knife and yelling like a madman. People fled at his approach into houses and hallways, and barred the doors behind them.

The police tried to arrest him, and Healy was stabbed for his pains. Finally the insane man seemed driven to bay, but with one of his naked fists smashed a great plate glass window and passed through into an empty store room, where he found a carpenter's chest.

With maniac cunning he flung his knife through the window to make his pursuers believe he was unarmed.

Knowing nothing of the carpenter's chest they pressed through the window after him, when Bergen seized a hatchet from the box and flung himself upon them.

Chief Bates raised his revolver and fired. The man fell with the hatchet under him. The crowds which had followed at a respectable distance during Bergen's mad flight closed in and one of the most dramatic episodes in the history of Harvey was ended.

A stretcher was improvised and Bergen was carried to the Illinois Central depot, thence to St. Luke's hospital, where he succumbed to the effects of Chief Bates' bullet.

Bergen went to Harvey only a few days ago. He took a room at the Pennsylvania house in Center avenue and secured work with the Buda Manufacturing company as a molder. He said he was a saloonkeeper from Chicago and had gone to Harvey to sober up from the effects of a prolonged spree.

On Tuesday he quit work and began drinking again. Yesterday morning at 9 o'clock other boarders in the Pennsylvania house heard shouts and cries from Bergen's room.

The man stood in the middle of the floor when two of the boarders started in to quiet him. With oaths Bergen dashed his fists into the windows, smashing every pane as fast as he could work his arms.

The men drew back in fear and Bergen, catching up a knife, sprang down the stairs to the street. At full speed he rushed down the lonely thoroughfare, shouting defiance to his pursuers.

Policeman Healy and Shepherd, hearing Bergen's cries, ran to intercept him. Bergen paused a moment and then fled on, leaving a still form on the pavement bleeding from three frightful wounds. It was Healy. He tried to knock the man's knife from his hand, but Bergen was too quick and in a second had turned and driven his weapon again and again into the policeman. On the spot in the darkness, waving his bloody knife and shouting fresh defiance to his pursuers.

He turned once and made as though to run at them, when they fled in every direction, several women in the crowd shrieking and fainting and having to be carried to safe places by the men.

Bergen was brought to bay in front of the French block. A barber named George Tiesse, once a cowboy in Texas, had secured a rope, and twice he attempted to lasso the madman. The rope struck the man in the face, and as Tiesse drew it back for another throw Bergen turned and with his naked fist smashed an entrance through the big plate glass in front of the building.

An instant later and his knife came flying out, and his pursuers, thinking he was disarmed, pressed through after him. They found the man standing over a carpenter's chest waving a hatchet. As Chief of Police Bates entered Bergen drew back and would have hurled the hatchet at him, but the chief raised his revolver, and, taking as good aim as possible in the dim light, fired. The man fell and a moment later was secured.

JAPAN'S PROTEST.

The Mikado Is Against the Annexation of Hawaii by the United States.

Washington, June 24.—The gist of the protest of Japan to the Hawaiian annexation is to this effect: The acquisition of Hawaii by annexation to the United States would deprive resident Japanese in the islands of rights which at present they are entitled to under the treaty with Hawaii. There are 25,000 Japanese in the island, with large property rights, and under the present constitution they are entitled to become citizens of Hawaii. In due of annexation these Japanese could not become citizens United States, as a decision of the United States circuit court is to the effect that no Asiatic can become a citizen of the United States. By annexation Japanese now residents in Hawaii can be subject to any measures that might be adopted by the United States. Large interests owned by Japanese in the island would be greatly jeopardized. Therefore the Japanese government firmly protests against the proposed annexation.

Hawaiians in Washington insist that the motive for the protest of Japan against the annexation of the island is that Japan really desires to acquire the island herself. Japan claims that the treaty with Hawaii can't be terminated, except with Japan's consent. In other words, that it is perpetual if Japan so desires.

The Commons and Hawaii.
London, June 24.—In the house of commons today, in response to a question by Deekott, the conservative, whether Queen Elizabeth was deposed by a small body of American residents who assumed the sovereignty and were about to turn the islands over to the United States Parliamentary Secretary Curzon said the government didn't feel called on to express an opinion relative to the circumstances out of which the present situation in Hawaii had arisen, it would, however, be the object of the government to see whatever rights belong to Great Britain and her British subjects were fully maintained.

Music Teachers Meet.
New York, June 24.—The music teachers national association assembled this morning. The addresses of welcome and responses occupied the forenoon.

Death by Explosion in Chicago.
Chicago, June 24.—The premature discharge of a blast at the water works in the lake, killed one workman and it is said, wounded a number of others.

CYCLONE IN KANSAS.

Territory Near Salina Swept by
by the Death-Dealing
Twister.

LIST OF THE KILLED AND INJURED.

Doubtless There Are Many Others
Dead or Dying—Meagre Particulars—The Geesey Family are Victims.

Salina, Kan., June 24.—News is just received here of terrible cyclones which passed 15 miles northwest of here at about 10:30 last night. As far as known three are dead and a number were dangerously injured. The dead are:

Mrs. Anna Geesey, age 84.
Nona Geesey, 18.
Ida Geesey, 9.

Four members of this family are also badly hurt.

Mr. Geesey, the husband, was away, and the remainder of the family had retired. When the storm struck they made an effort to reach the cave, but before they got out of the house, the tornado destroyed it. Neighbors found the dead and wounded this morning. The three dead were found about 50 feet east of the house and near them was the baby, alive, but buried to its waist in dirt. The other three were found some distance west of the house with a two by four scolding driven through one of Mrs. Geesey's limbs.

At Sturris, one half mile east of the Geesey place, the family were sleeping in a stone basement with a frame for the upright part. The framework was blown away and the lumber dropped on the family below, but none were killed. The stone work was uninjured. At G. W. Morris's, the kitchen was torn down and grove trees leveled to the ground.

The track of the storm was narrow but very winding. It tore down a fence on three sides of the Geesey pasture, without passing through the middle. It came from the east. After doing damage here the main storm divided, going west and north. There are rumors of other casualties but particulars are lacking.

Storm at St. Louis.

St. Louis, June 24.—Reports are coming in as to the effects of the terrific wind and rain storm early this morning. Much damage was done in the southwestern section of the city, where a number of city institutions are located. Roofs were blown off, windows smashed, and trees uprooted. The downpour of rain was the heaviest of the season. The storm was particularly severe on river tower, Kookuk, Alton and Quincy suffering. Reports from Springfield, Effingham and other Illinois towns say the rain was very heavy.

IN THE SENATE.

Rules Amended—Jones' Motion to Suspend Operation of Wool Duty for a Year Defeated.

Washington, June 24.—In the senate today Hale of Maine offered an amendment to the senate rule admitting ex-senators to the privilege of the floor to the effect that only those who are "not interested in any claim or in the prosecution of the same, or are directly interested in any bill pending before congress." It is added that the purpose is to prevent ex-senators from coming on the floor for the purpose of urging or opposing bills or claims in which they are employed as attorneys.

Jones' motion to suspend the operation of the wool duties for one year was rejected, 27 to 15.

SUIT OVER A DOG.

Will Armstrong Appears to Answer a Charge of Harboring a Violent Canine.

The case of the People vs. William J. Armstrong, charged with harboring a vicious dog, came up this afternoon in Justice Proctor's court. The complaining witness was William Young, a driver of a grocery wagon. Young claims that while delivering groceries at the Armstrong residence he was bitten by Will Armstrong's bull terrier and as a result swore out a warrant against the owner of the animal. City Attorney Lee prosecuted the case and Attorney J. M. Gray defended Armstrong. A number of witnesses were called by both sides to swear that the dog was or was not vicious. The attorney for the defense endeavored to show that since Armstrong had owned the dog several thousand persons had called at the residence and that this was the first case where anyone was known to have been bitten, consequently the dog could not be called a vicious animal. In case the defendant is found guilty the fine for the offense is not less than \$5 and not more than \$25. The case attracted considerable attention.

MARKET REPORT.

BY E. E. TAYLOR.

Chicago, June 24.—Wheat opened about a cent higher this morning, while September was up only $\frac{1}{16}$ at the start, and July held the advance well, while September made another slight jump toward the top. The trade was small, and the market was a long way from active. There were few futures, and fewer factors. The cables were not very much. Liverpool was quiet and $\frac{1}{16}$ higher at the start, and was the same for futures at the close, while spot wheat was simply steady. London had nothing to say, not even on consols, which are probably where they have been for the past few days, 119 $\frac{1}{2}$ money, and 119 $\frac{1}{16}$ account. This advance of only $\frac{1}{16}$ in Liverpool was construed bearishly, of course, and then came the "Price Current" with a bearish tone on both winter wheat and spring wheat, and this was an aid to the shorts, but in spite of all this and the continuance of favorable weather, the price was up all day. It seems to be the general opinion on "Change" that the July advance will not be likely to continue if any important squeeze is really contemplated. Many, too, hold the opinion that the longs are trying to make the shorts run for cover on July, and trying with little success. The total clearances are steadily receding this week, being today but 9,966 wheat, and 15,571 flour, equalling together 170,000 bushels of wheat, the smallest so far this week. The total clearances for the week so far, too, are but 940,011 bushels, flour included. Minneapolis got 55 cars of wheat today, and Duluth got 17 $\frac{1}{2}$, a total of 381, against 219 (Minneapolis 70, Duluth 149) a week ago, and 449 (Minneapolis 331, Duluth 138) a year ago. Five cars graded.

Corn opened about where it left off yesterday, and was steady to strong, with fair trade and not particularly inactive market. The tendency was slightly upward, through sympathy with wheat. Liverpool opened $\frac{1}{4}$ lower and closed same way. Total clearances smallest of week, at 128,070 bushels. 387 cars graded, of 586 received.

Oats opened about where they closed. Trade small market inactive, with slight upward tendency. 49 cars graded. Provisions opened about where they left off. Trade small in July, and not much doing. Tendency slightly downward. No features.

Peoria.
Peoria, June 24.—Corn steady, No. 2, 34 $\frac{1}{2}$; oats steady, No. 3 white, 30 $\frac{1}{2}$; rye, quieter, nominal.

St. Louis.
St. Louis, June 24.—Wheat, cash 75; July 7 $\frac{1}{2}$; corn, cash 38; July 3 $\frac{1}{2}$; oats, cash 17 $\frac{1}{2}$; July 18.

New York.
New York, June 24.—July wheat 75 $\frac{1}{2}$; corn 35 $\frac{1}{2}$; oats 38 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Chicago.
Chicago, June 24.—Live poultry firm; turkeys 6 to 7; chickens 7 $\frac{1}{2}$; springs 10 to 15; ducks 7 to 8. Butter firm; creameries 12 to 14 $\frac{1}{2}$; dairies 9 to 12. Eggs firm, 8 $\frac{1}{2}$.

Decatur, Ill., June 24.

Wheat—

June 24..... 70 1/2

July..... 71 1/2

Sept..... 72 1/2

Oct..... 73 1/2

Nov..... 74 1/2

Dec..... 75 1/2

Jan..... 76 1/2

Feb..... 77 1/2

March..... 78 1/2

April..... 79 1/2

May..... 80 1/2

June..... 81 1/2

July..... 82 1/2

Aug..... 83 1/2

Sept..... 84 1/2

Oct..... 85 1/2

Nov..... 86 1/2

Dec..... 87 1/2

Jan..... 88 1/2

Feb..... 89 1/2

March..... 90 1/2

April..... 91 1/2

May..... 92 1/2

ROYAL
MAKING
POWDER
absolutely Pure

Our Neighbors

Marion.

Misses Hattie Potter and Lillah Huff returned from a visit to friends at Clinton Monday.

Mrs. Charles Obanion is among the sick.

The 14 year old son of Dudley Smith met with a painful accident here on Sunday afternoon. He was riding a horse which fell and either with the hoof or in striking something in the road his leg was badly cut. He was taken to the home of Mark Tozer, where he was attended by Dr. McLean, assisted by Dr. Edmonson. He is now at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. John Eaton, in the south part of town.

Miss Gertrude Wyssing spent Sunday in Chicago with relatives.

Miss Jean Smeltz returned Monday from Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Emrick left Tuesday for Galesburg, where they visit the family of S. S. Brandt before going to their new home in California.

Mrs. J. D. Ray, the aged mother of Alonzo and Clinton Ray, of this city, died at Emory on Saturday evening. The funeral was held Monday at the Christian church at 8 o'clock. The services were conducted by Elder Lloyd Newcomer. Burial at Marion cemetery.

D. H. Glasford and R. E. Persinger returned from their trip to the south on Saturday.

Dr. Coddington spent Sunday with relatives at Atwood.

Mrs. Alice Huff Close, of Victor, Col., is the guest of her mother, Mrs. Nancy Huff.

Mrs. Carrie Schenck entertained a company to dinner on Friday in honor of Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Emrick.

Dr. Frank Cox, of Kenney, has located in Marion. His office will be the rooms east of the Marion Dry Goods company.

The Christian Endeavor rally held here on Sunday was a grand success. The afternoon session began at 2:30 in the Presbyterian church with a devotional service led by Dr. Augustine, of Decatur.

This was followed by an address on "The Mission of the Christian Endeavor," by Robert Miner.

At three o'clock a junior union meeting was held in the Christian church, the program was continued at a quarter to the Presbyterian church, "Keeping our Pledge," discussed by A. M. Taylor, Dr. Augustine and others.

Prayer meeting by J. L. Deek. Missionary, by Miss Dimock, all followed by an interesting discussion, after which the visitors were assigned places of entertainment.

The evening session was held in the Christian church and began at 7 o'clock with a prayer meeting, led by J. L. Deek. The subject, "Our Brother's Keeper," was well discussed. The hour was one of the best of the rally.

Dr. G. S. Edmonson next led a short song service, after which Rev. W. H. Wilson, of Argenta, gave a fine address on "The Power and Mission of the Church."

A number of workers were present—from Decatur and Argenta.

Mrs. Nellie Woodward, of Decatur, was the guest of her parents, J. P. Bean and wife, over Sunday.

Walter Smith spent Sunday with his family in this city.

Misses Jessie and Ira Waterbury returned to their home at Cerro Gordo Monday after a visit with friends here.

Isaac Goble, of Weldon, visited the family of Mark Tozer on Tuesday.

Miss Buelch Hilt, of Decatur, is the guest of relatives.

Miss Margaret Crissey, of Decatur, addressed a small audience at the Presbyterian church on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Marshall Huff and little daughter, Guyneith, returned from a six weeks visit to Paxton friends, on Wednesday.

Mrs. H. J. Gault and daughter, Sylvia, left Tuesday to visit relatives at Champlain.

The Rathbone Sisters gave a farewell reception for Mr. and Mrs. I. D. Emrick at Castle hall on Monday evening. Lodge work was in order at 8 o'clock, after which the invited guests were ushered into the hall. A short literary and musical program was given, after which a grand supper was served in the banquet room. A number were present from Decatur and Weldon.

Miss Gertrude Crang, of Weldon, was in the city on Monday.

L. B. Hobbs contemplates the trip to California.

Bearsdale.

Mrs. Harry Bult is seriously ill. Children's Day exercises at Bolling Springs next Sunday.

A. W. Bear and family visited S. E. Bear this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell entertained Ezekiel Hays, Harry Baum, Newton Lebow and their wives at dinner Sunday.

Prof. J. B. Coonradt and wife and Will Morrison and wife of Decatur, were callers at A. J. Conover's this week.

C. C. Hall is spending a week with his parents at Arcola.

The growing corn and oats are looking splendid in this vicinity.

S. F. Hunley and brother of Decatur, called on the postmaster Tuesday.

S. Truittman, of Decatur, is making some improvements on his farm north of the Dale.

A. Peterson of Decatur, with four grain dealers from west of Springfield called on A. J. Conover Tuesday to examine the working of the Peterson patent elevator.

Macon.

Miss Maud Cook spent a few days last week in Decatur.

Hazel Richmond, of Decatur, spent a few days last week with S. G. Washburn and wife.

Wm. Allinson left last week for Pearland, Texas, on business.

Miss Nellie Hise is on the sick list. Miss Ethel Taylor of Decatur was the guest of Wm. Herbert and wife a few days last week.

Mrs. J. F. Van Gundy spent Sunday with her parents, Elijah Walker and wife, of Assumption.

Miss Mamie Walker is the guest of Mrs. J. F. Van Gundy this week.

Mrs. Lewis Smith of Cortland, Neb., who has been visiting her parents for a few weeks, returned home last week.

Robert Webb, of Decatur, was the guest of his brother, Clint Webb and family a few days last week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnston of Ft. Wayne, Ind., are the guests of Mrs. Emma Lewis this week.

Miss Nellie Arnold, who has been in Battle Creek, Mich., for her health, returned home last week. She has been afflicted with spinal disease for nearly two years.

Mrs. Emma Lewis entertained friends to a six o'clock dinner at her beautiful residence, Wednesday evening in honor of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnston, of Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Dan Tait spent Sunday with his parents.

Charles Cramp, formerly a resident of this city, died at his home in Bloomington, Wednesday morning. The remains were laid to rest in Fairview cemetery. The funeral service was held in the M. E. church on Friday morning, Rev. Wilder, of Bloomington, officiating.

Miss Chora Barber is visiting relatives in Decatur this week.

W. E. Hodges was on our streets Friday. Miss Ola Boggs, who has been attending school at Galesburg, returned home Friday.

Miss Golda Pennypacker is on the sick list.

Mrs. T. Baird spent Sunday in Assumption, the guest of relatives.

Mrs. Emma Lewis will leave today for Chicago, where she will meet J. A. Montgomery and wife. Mrs. Lewis will bring the two boys home and Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery, in company with T. A. Johnson and wife, will make a tour of the Great Lakes.

Mr. Oxford of Kappa is the guest of his brother, G. W., this week.

A half mile race track has been completed south of the city and the association is preparing for some fast driving.

T. M. Ayres and wife and daughter, Miss Lula, of Decatur, are visiting friends and relatives here.

I. Stroppe was a Decatur visitor Monday. A. W. Bennett and family visited I. Stroppe and family Sunday.

Mrs. A. Harrauff visited over Sunday at Taylor with her daughter, Mrs. Geo. Marvel.

Dr. C. A. Mallory spent Sunday in Riverton.

Mr. J. Burgess and Miss Sarah Burgess visited over Sunday with J. Bennett and family near Marion.

There will be a festival given at Belle Prairie school house northwest of Orsina next Saturday night.

The Children's Day services at the Baptist church last Sunday morning was well attended and an excellent program was rendered.

The Whitmore township Sunday school convention will be held at the Christian church on Thursday, July 1.

Guy Lipscomb, of Decatur, visited friends here Sunday.

J. Ayres visited his son Will at Sauneman over Sunday.

Several from here attended a social at Argenta Saturday evening.

Joseph Collins and family visited relatives at La Platte Sunday.

L. B. Casner and wife spent a part of this week with relatives here. They will probably move here in the near future.

Assessor Geo. Florey has finished assessing and posting his books and they are ready for the board of auditors.

Joseph Bork entertained the family of his brother-in-law from Mason over Sunday.

John Williams, who was laid up for several days by stepping on a nail, is again at work or Wilson & Chapman.

Miss Judith Rhine and Mrs. John Casner are visiting relatives at Nashville this state.

John Wilson and family attended church services at Prairie hill Sunday.

Long Creek township may not excel in many things, but we would be safe in making a wager that there are more roads in the west part of this township than in any other part of Macon county. What are our overseers, elected for any way?

Mr. Burns of Dalton was in this vicinity Monday looking for a filly that had strayed from his place.

Dr. Patterson is going in to the big business. If his medicine is not better to take it will be because Charles Lambert digs up his clover.

Quite a number of our citizens attended court last week to testify in the Peterson forgery case.

Rev. Hatfield conducted a missionary meeting at the church Sunday evening. Papers were read on the subject by Earl Tobitt and Louis Underwood. E. Underwood made some remarks on the extent of missionary work in Africa and Rev. Hatfield made general remarks and exhibited some relics obtained from Africa from missionaries. It was an interesting meeting and is one of a series to be given.

A male quartet has been organized here. They sang Sunday night at church services and will sing Sunday morning next at the Young Men's meeting.

Saturday afternoon nearly a hundred children, a portion of Casner school, assembled at John Williams' lawn to have an afternoon social. A short program was given by members of the school. One number, the school prophecy, by Lola Carman, being especially well received. All, however, did well with their part, no previous preparation having been made. Ice cream and cake were served. A general good time was certainly enjoyed by all.

The Christian Endeavor society of this place will give a social at the lawn of Mr. A. B. Chapman, Friday evening, July 2. Ice cream and cake will be served. Come one and all and enjoy a pleasant evening and help the Armenian sufferers for whom the social will be held. Ice cream and cake 10.

Wyokite.

Miss Winifred Elliot spent Sunday in Decatur.

Mr. William Sawyer is cutting his clover.

Miss Nannie Constan, Mr. J. B. Gullok and Mr. Will Knight are on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Majors left for Lincoln on a visit to Mrs. Majors' parents.

A rehearsal of the Sharon choir will be held Friday night.

Mr. R. M. Park left for Storm Lake, Iowa, Wednesday.

June 20 an address on temperance was given by the Rev. G. F. McKown, to the Sharon Endeavor society. Miss Ada Seitz will lead the meeting June 27.

Mrs. Walker of Windsor, Ill., and Mrs. Munson and daughter of St. Louis, Mo., have returned home, after a visit with A. Y. Munson and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Shull, Mr. and Mrs. McCann, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Lutz, Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Morrison, Miss Woodford, Miss Crossman and Mrs. Howard were visitors from Decatur to our town the past week.

Miss Olive Lutz entertained Misses Babe Young, Caroline Lutz, Cordelia Wilson and Lucille Carder of Decatur, Tuesday afternoon.

Dalton City.

There was a platform dance at Garrett McQuinle's, east of town Saturday night. Everybody enjoyed a good time.

Mike McCarty and John Hughes transacted business in Decatur Monday.

A. P. Cautler's show is advertised to show here June 30.

J. H. Kingley of Decatur transacted business here Tuesday.

M. W. Adams going to have a picnic here the fourth of July. Everybody invited to attend. A good time is promised.

Quite a number of Dalton people attended court at Sullivan Monday.

Mike Groat was at Lightner Monday.

Ben Lester returned from a visit to his parents.

Will Sammons of Decatur visited Dalton last week.

W. Kuehne was here billing a show Tuesday.

Mrs. M. A. Duggan transacted business in Decatur Monday.

S. A. Duggan visited Decatur Monday. Mame Hampton of Bethany is visiting Agnes Duggan this week.

Miss Kate Duggan and Oella Mulvey visited Sullivan last week.

Mrs. Florence Manda left for Tennessee last week.

Judd Truder of Mt. Zion was on our streets Tuesday.

Fred Warner had his leg broken by a mule falling on him last week.

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Mrs. John A. Logan is suffering from an injury received in a fall in Washington. She was going down a flight of steps at her home and fell, breaking a ligament in the left leg.

Casper Wistar Hlatt, pastor of the First Congregational church of Peoria, has received a call to Cleveland.

Thirteen negroes of \$11 that went to Liberia, in March, 1896, have reached New York. Half the colonists died.

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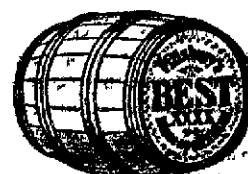
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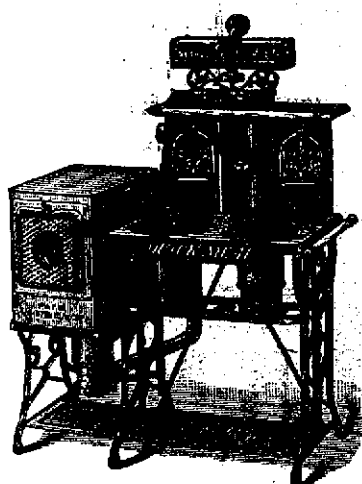
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Every box of fruit bears my trade mark. If you cannot buy them from the dealer you can get them at the Riverside Fruit Farm. Raspberries, black and red. Orders by mail will be delivered. Geo. W. Story, P. O. Box 942.—38-d5t

Extremely low prices on buggies and carriages for a short time only. Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—38-d5t

The run by the fire department last night at 8:30 was caused by a blaze among the waste in the hollow on East Wood street near the I. C. railroad.

Friends of the family yesterday received word of the death of Mrs. John Loving of Adell, Iowa. The family formerly lived at Lake City and removed to Iowa about two years ago. Mrs. Loving was a woman aged about 40 years.

The people should know that at the C. B. Prescott music house the celebrated Reed & Son's and Haines pianos can be had at lowest prices, and that the terms are within the reach of all. See the new styles.

The hacks were called early to Fair-lawn park last evening to bring back the ladies and children of the College Street Presbyterian chapel, who were out for a picnic. The blow and the rain brought all back sooner than was planned.

Ladies' Green Oxfords, \$1.50 and \$2.50. Ladies' Purple Oxfords, Children's Purple Shoes. Ladies' Green Bicycle Boots \$3.00. At Powers' Shoe Store. 21-d5t

There will be a grand ball and cake walk by the colored barbers of Decatur at the Guards' armory tonight. The first prize will be a ladies' gold ring and a gentleman's walking cane. The second prize will be a white fruit cake.

The commissioners appointed to apportion the cost of the brick paving improvements mapped out by the council were all busy today preparing the necessary papers so that they can submit their reports without delay in the county court. All may be able to report by Saturday morning.

The Intermediate Endeavor of the First M. E. church will hold a social and business meeting at the residence of S. M. Lutz, 315 West North street, Thursday evening. The semi-annual election of officers will be held at this time and a new constitution containing important changes will be submitted for adoption.

THE MARK E. SWAN CO.

Lively Comedy, Music, Songs and Dances at Riverside Park.

The celebrated Mark E. Swan Comedy company, so well and favorably known to Decatur playgoers, has been engaged by Manager Ferguson to fill an engagement of a week or longer at the Riverside park pavilion, beginning on Monday night, June 28. The Swan company is now completing a long engagement at the Forest park theatre, pleasing everybody.

Such a fine attraction for the stage at the Decatur park will not fail to draw the people. New music, new plays, new songs, new dances, changes of bill every night.

Sunday afternoon there will be another grand free concert by the Goodman band.—23-d4t

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THE DECATUR RACES.

The Dates are August 25 to 27 Inclusive—\$5,100 in Purse.

The annual summer race meeting of the Decatur Trotting association will take place on the mile track at the park August 24, 25, 26 and 27. It will be a great meeting. The entries will close on Monday, August 14. The races at Jacksonville will precede the Decatur meeting, and will be followed by those of Peoria, Terre Haute, Clinton and Champaign. B. Z. Taylor is the president of the association, G. A. Keller secretary. The purse aggregate \$5100. Friday, the last day, will be Decatur day, and immediately after the races that afternoon, there will be a series of lively contests by bicycle riders for handsome prizes. Following is the program:

Tuesday, Aug. 24.	2:30 class Pace.....	\$400.00
2:40 class Trot.....	400.00	
3:15 class Pace.....	500.00	
Wednesday, Aug. 25.	4:30 class Pace.....	\$400.00
3:45 class Trot.....	500.00	
3:25 class Pace.....	500.00	
Thursday, Aug. 26.	2:25 class Trot.....	\$400.00
2:10 class Pace.....	500.00	
Free for all Trot.....	500.00	
Friday, Aug. 27.	2:25 class Trot.....	\$500.00
Free for all Pace.....	500.00	

STATE CONVENTION.

All the State's Attorneys in Illinois Expected in Bloomington on July 27 and 28.

State's Attorney Fleming, of McLean county has returned from Peoria, where he attended a conference of state's attorneys from this section of the state. Ten counties adjacent to Peoria were invited to the conference, eight of whom responded. After a full discussion of plans it was decided to call a convention of all the state's attorneys of the state—103 in number—to meet in Bloomington on July 27 and 28.

The idea is to form a permanent organization for the purpose of acquaintance and to work together to secure greater uniformity in practice in the courts. Such an organization will be conducive to the welfare of the people as well as to better methods of work in the courts. It will bring together from fifty to 100 men of intelligence and ability, and Bloomington will be glad to entertain them. It is expected that ex-Governor Fifer and Attorney General Akis will deliver addresses on criminal law. Mr. Fleming was made chairman of the committee on arrangements and program, and other gentlemen were assigned to various phases of preliminary work.

Cases in the Lower Courts.

Justice Hardy yesterday decided the case of Newman & Ullman, of Peoria vs. John Crocker, of Macomb, in favor of the defendant. Lately H. B. Smith made a bill of sale of big stock of goods to Crocker, and in the lot were cigars which the Peoria firm had sold to Smith. They claimed that they were simply consigned to him to be sold on commission, but from the evidence submitted at the hearing, the magistrate concluded that the cigars were sold to Smith; not assigned. An appeal will be taken.

In the case of Theron Cannon vs. the Decatur Monument Works, suit to recover \$85 commission for the sale of a monument, on trial in Justice O'Mara's court, the decision was given favor of the defendant. It was in proof that Cannon had made the sale, but he did it in the office of the company, not in the territory assigned to him as a salesman. John A. Brown appeared for the company and J. T. Whitley for the plaintiff.

Justice Smith yesterday gave judgment for L. J. Howard for \$15 for a buggy taken on a chattel mortgage by Constable Connard.

The Methodist Ministers.

At Jacksonville yesterday at the Methodist minister's school of theology the examination of students engaged attention part of the time. The afternoon session was opened by a fifteen-minute hymn service, led by W. S. Phillips, of New Salem, Ill. "Methodist Hymnology, Its Educational and Spiritual Value," was the subject of a discourse by Rev. Horace Reed, D. D., Jacksonville, and was followed by questions and discussions. Rev. W. H. Webster, D. D., Danville, Ill., talked on "The Pastor and Money Matters; His Own Finances," and was followed by Robert Stephens, Mattoon, Ill., on "Methods of Money Raising." "Methodism and the Higher Criticism" was the subject of a talk by Rev. W. E. McClure, D. D., Springfield, Ill. Rev. Frank Crane, D. D., Chicago, gave a lecture on the Bible at night.

Couples at the Altar.

The marriage of Miss Lillian A. Thomas and Richard C. Thorp was solemnized at 8 o'clock last evening at the home of Mrs. Joshua Jacobs, 740 West King street, by Rev. T. C. Cooper. The attendants were Wayne Wilkinson, Noble Lamb, Leah Blanton and Mattie Howard. The wedding music was played by Cora Blanton. Sixty guests were present. A fine wedding repast was served. The groom is in the employ of the Bawley and the bride has many friends in the community. Mrs. Charles Pitts, of Chicago, aunt of the bride, was a guest at the wedding.

David Torrence, a lumber merchant at Latham, and Miss Cora Blanton, daughter of W. H. Blanton, former Wabash master mechanic, were married last night at the home of the bride's parents at Peoria.

On Wednesday at the Edward Street Christian church paragon, Alexander Miller and Miss Jennie B. Green, both

of Mechanicburg, were united in marriage by Rev. M. Stevenson. K. L. Sparrow and wife witnessed the marriage.

Bruce Fulk and Miss Lucy Crawford, both of Decatur, were married yesterday at Springfield.

Miss Judson's Successor.

Miss Rose Judson, daughter of O. O. Judson and a former Decatur teacher, is the musical instructor in the public school at Elgin, a position she fills with general acceptability. We have received copies of the Every Saturday and The Dial, published at Elgin, giving long accounts of a highly successful concert given by the children of the public schools, under the direction of Miss Judson. Over 9000 people attended the concert and a handsome sum was realized. All of the pupils are complimented generously by the Elgin papers. One says: "Much credit is due to Miss Judson for the high and devotion she has shown in arousing the teachers and pupils to the point necessary for so successful an entertainment and for her ability to handle these young people and procure such harmonious and faultless results."

Two Important Arrests.

Henry Tinscher was arrested yesterday afternoon on a bench warrant. He gave \$500 bond for his appearance and was released. Tinscher was indicted for having abducted a young girl less than 14 years of age, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Wilkoff, from her home for immoral purposes. The girl went riding in a buggy with Tinscher. The accused strenuously protests his innocence of intent to do wrong, and claims that he will be able to establish the fact at the trial. Deputy Sheriff Holmes made the arrest.

A. B. Francis is in the county jail in default of \$400, under an indictment for conspiracy to defraud W. G. Hughes out of property valued at \$500. It is a penitentiary offense. Deputy Holmes made the arrest.

Methodist Vacancy.

There is to be a vacancy in the pulpit of the First Methodist church at Springfield, yesterday the pastor, Rev. F. A. Havighurst, was elected to the chair of Economics of the Lawrence university at Appleton, Wis., made vacant by the death of Prof. Merion. Arrangements will be made to fill the pulpit at Springfield. At the last conference Springfield people were very anxious to secure Rev. D. F. Howe of Decatur. Promptly their efforts to that end will be renewed. Conference meets at Rushville in September.

The Death Record.

Willie, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. James Keating, died at 6:30 a. m., Wednesday, June 23, at the family residence in this city. The child's death was caused by whooping cough. The funeral was held at 3 o'clock this afternoon from St. Patrick's church.

Mrs. Mary Jones of Raymond died at 11:10 p. m., Wednesday, June 23, at the residence of J. T. Owens, 1846 East Prairie street. The body was taken to Raymond at 4 o'clock this afternoon for interment.

At Riverside To-Night.

Those who enjoy a bright, clean performance should see the production of "The Embassy Ball" at Riverside park this evening. The Empire Comedy company has been doing some excellent work and is giving the best of satisfaction to the large audiences which have been in attendance. The play for this evening is one of especial interest, being a society comedy, containing a beautiful blending of pathos and humor, together with an interesting dramatic story.

Powers' Shoe Store.

The only shoe store giving out cash coupons with each sale. When you obtain as much as \$10 in coupons you can get your money on them at Chodak's news bureau, buyers' and merchants' benefits bureau, 117 North Water street. \$19,000 in cash has been paid out to buyers in Decatur on the cash coupons by this bureau.—19-d5t

Farewell Reception.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Church Street Christian church will give a farewell social tonight to Rev. George F. Hall, who leaves in a few days for an absence of several weeks. The ladies have provided fine refreshments for the occasion and there will be a general good time.

Going Off to Battle.

The West Enders go to Moweaqua Saturday to meet the crack nine of that town. The boys are practicing on the Edward street diamond. The players who will go are: M. Payne, p. C. Skelton, c. C. Veet, 1b; J. Bate, 2b; Frank Voss, 3b; Ray Richards, ss; John Northland, lf; C. Abbott, cf; H. Abbott, rf.

Put On.

Owing to the storm of last evening the handball wheel race, to be held by the wheel people connected with the Morehouse & Wells company had to be postponed until next Wednesday evening. It is to be a run for the pop and the last man to make the village will have to pay the bill.

Sales of Real Estate.

A. T. Bliley to F. Growskowi, lot 1, block 1, Hill's subdivision, \$400.
Frank Pratt to Elizabeth Markwell, lot 5, block 4, Orwiler & Cornsman's addition, \$380.
James Hobbs to Charles S. Todd, tract in S. 14, 2nd sec, \$500.

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MARRIAGE AT SOUTH BEND.

Miss Oren, Granddaughter of George W. Baker, and Ma. Bate—Brilliant Event.

In the Chicago papers today appear glowing accounts of the marriage of Miss Maude E. Oren, grand daughter of George L. Baker, formerly of Decatur, and F. H. Bate, of Canada, which occurred at South Bend, Ind., last night. The Chicago Times-Herald prints the portraits of the couple. Below is appended an account of the marriage:

South Bend, Ind., June 23.—Milburn Memorial chapel tonight was the scene of the wedding of Miss Maude E. Oren, elder daughter of County Treasurer and Mrs. W. H. Oren, and Mr. Frederick H. Bate, of London, Ont. Over 80 invitations were issued, and the little chapel was filled with the admiring friends of the bride, who is a charming young lady and a leader in South Bend society. Mrs. George Milburn Stridebaker played Mendelssohn's wedding march, the bridal party entering singly in the following order: Flower girls, Marjory Hibbard and Laura Harris; ushers, Mortimer Reed, South Bend; Fred Fraser, London, Ont.; Frank Hoffman, Elkhart, Ind.; Arthur Oren, South Bend, and John Brown, London, Ont.; bridesmaids, Anne Lisenberger, Maude Bangerter, South Bend; Irene Armstrong, Decatur, Ill.; Jessie Reed, Springfield, Ill.; and Henrietta O'Brien, South Bend; Jennie Oren, sister of the bride, maid of honor; and little Ann Carlele, bride's attendant, followed by the bride and her father. The bride was met at the altar by the groom and his best man, Mr. Fred White of London, and the Rev. S. W. Goss, who used the full Episcopal ring service. The bride was attired in a gown of white duchess satin, skirt on train, high corset, covered with embroidered chiffon, trimmed with silver lace, with duchess lace at sleeves and neck. She carried a bouquet of stephanotis and wore a pearl star, the gift of the groom, at her throat. Miss Oren, the maid of honor, wore a gown of white dotted mull over white silk, trimmed with lace insertion and lace.

After the ceremony a reception at the Indiana club was attended by about 500 guests. Mr. and Mrs. Bate left for the east. After their honeymoon they will go to live in London, Ont.

THE BANNER FLAG.

Day Set by Mr. Mills for the Presentation to Milam Township.

The day has been fixed for the formal presentation of "The Republican Banner Flag of Macon County," worth \$100, the prize offered by States Attorney Mills at the late judicial election to the township that would cast the greatest per cent of the Republican votes at said election. The winner was Milam township. At the presidential election 98 votes were cast for McKinley. At the judicial election 64 votes or 94 per cent of the total, were cast and Milam won the handsome prize. If that township holds its banner as future elections she will have to do as well or better. The prize was offered to inspire rivalry among the townships, and it is expected that at future general elections in the county the Republicans will be lively in getting to the polls.

The formal presentation of the prize flag, which was the handsomest one that could be found in New York city, will take place on Thursday, July 8. Chairman Amanda Hill, the township committeeman, was in Decatur yesterday, and was making arrangements for the banner day in Milam. There is to be a picnic round up of the Republicans of Milam, and their families in a pleasant grove, and Mr. Mills, the donor of the flag, County Clerk Dodd, W. F. Calhoun and many others, from Decatur are to be in attendance.

The flag is to be on exhibition in one of the show windows at the Linn & Scroggs store until after the Fourth.

A Surgical Operation.

Dr. Spalding, assisted by Drs. Childs and Malensthal, performed a very difficult surgical operation on George Kirk, of Arcola, for a stricture, this morning at the Brunswick. Mr. Kirk is resting very comfortably and will soon recover.

Summer School.

At the Decatur High school, commencing Monday, July 19. Common science and advance courses. For further information or circulars address J. J. Sheppard, Decatur, Ill. 10-d5t

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Wiley Marvel, of Wayneville, lost a valuable cow by lightning.

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WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, June 24.—Illinois, showers this afternoon or tonight; Friday partly cloudy, winds mostly westerly.

A Western Woolly Brain.

American Economist: We had always supposed that Western newspaper men knew something about wool, especially if they lived in a state that possessed any considerable number of sheep. But there is a woolly-brain editor in Sioux City who lays down laws and doctrines regarding American sheep that certainly present new theories even to free traders, who pride themselves upon having exhausted the known and the unknown in support of their unfettered free trade cause. Of course this free trade editor of the Iowa "Tribune" has no facts to support his theories. Free traders never have. Facts are of no use to them, because they disprove their arguments. They prefer fiction. Hence it is not surprising to find this student in the kindergarten class of Professor Wilson speaking of the exports of woolen goods from Bradford as recently given by the special correspondent of the American Economist in the following language:

As for the woolen goods, which are arriving, they were bound to come any way, tariff or no tariff, to supply the demand which always exists for superior fabric. The importers know of this demand and are preparing for it in advance so far as they may, which is not to such an extent as is represented because of the constant change of styles and patterns.

The figures of Bradford's exports, as sent us, were taken from the returns of United States Consul Meeker, an Ohio Democrat and free trader. Possibly the Iowa editor knows better than the Bradford consul that the exports of woolen and shoddy goods passing through the Bradford consulate are "not to such an extent as is represented." But possibly he doesn't know better. If so, then so much the worse for the facts, which must be distorted and misrepresented to suit the Iowa woolly-brain.

The state of Iowa possesses upward of half a million sheep. They were worth \$1,938,084 in January, 1893, and only \$1,399,979 four years later, the loss averaging almost one dollar per head, from \$3.42 in 1893 to \$2.43 per sheep in 1896. This loss of nearly a dollar in the value of the sheep belonging to Iowa farmers occurred during "the period of free wool given by the Wilson law" which, so the Iowa editor says, "resulted in a marked improvement in both the quality and output of our woolen mills." We leave him to explain to the Iowa farmers how the improvement in the manufacture of our woolen goods has resulted so disastrously to the sheep owners if not solely by the adoption of the Democratic policy of free trade.

My Special Commissioner Blount, by direction of President Cleveland, hauled down the stars and stripes in Honolulu, but President McKinley shows no disposition to follow the precedent, but on the contrary proposes that the flag shall float over the entire territory of the Sandwich Islands.

A Madrid paper at the mere cost of setting the type says that the Spanish fleet could easily capture Hawaii if annexed to this country. Perhaps it could and perhaps it could not, but in any event Spain had better capture something in Cuba before she enters a contest with Uncle Sam.

It has just been discovered by a lot of Democrats that their party in the national convention left out the word "only" in the tariff plank, which is taken to mean that there was a conspiracy in that convention to arrange a platform to suit the silver Republicans and Populists.

There is still talk of recalling Weyler from command in Cuba, but in case he is recalled that act will not relieve Spain from the responsibility of sending him there and the outrages he has committed since he has been there. He was sent to do precisely what he has been doing.

The Populists of Iowa have just held a convention, the net result of which has been a lot of platform resolutions about the depression of business for which that party is itself responsible, by overthrowing the protective tariff system.

The announcement that Barney Barnato's fortune has practically been swept away will have a tendency to reduce the number of women claiming to be his wife and the people who claim to be his sons and daughters.

Senator Mason says Cuba will be free in a month. The senator may have made the time a little short, but Cuba will be free.

The United States will press the Madrid claim for \$50,000 against Peru.

The Dauntless was found with arms and ammunition aboard, but no one is able to say what she intended to do with them. She may have been using them for ballast.

The same fellows who were predicting war between Hanna and Foraker, with the chances in favor of the latter, are now telling all about the Hanna-Foraker alliance, which has taken the scalp of Governor Bushnell.

A TEXAS COMEDY.

Which Has Some Indications of a Tragedy.

Mrs. Tabitha Jones lifted high her Connecticut nose, breathed deeply the salty air of south Texas, and listened. From the kitchen region, through the open window, came distinctly these words: "Now git down dar on dem soles, you debble, an' stay dar."

Mrs. Tabitha's Puritan blood was aroused. "Hit's all erlong ob you ef Anna's late, but I speek I don fix you now, you raskil." Had the black woman, in a fit of passion and carried away by atavistic savagery and cannibalism, sacrificed her own offspring? And Mrs. Tabitha's mind reverted to Aunt Cynthia's small woolly prototype, which two days before had arrived along with Aunt Cynthia's clothes and other effects. Her sympathies had halted at this little creature when she saw it deposited on her kitchen floor, but now its humanity called to her.

With trembling courage she stepped quickly and softly to the kitchen and slowly advanced her head beyond the edge of the open door. The smell of burning flesh filled her nostrils. At the front of the stove stood Aunt Cynthia; in her hand, lifted threateningly was a large flesh fork; on her lips this final taunt: "Now I speek you gwine to behave yo'self!" and she jabbed vigorously at something hidden from Mrs. Tabitha by the stove.

Looking up, the negress caught sight of the pale, rigid face projected just beyond the jam of the door. She uttered a loud scream, dropped the fork, and half fell against the kitchen table. An ashen hue settled over her dark face as she gazed at the apparently disheveled head, and it was not until Mrs. Tabitha finally presented her full figure at the doorway that Aunt Cynthia was able to speak.

"What done happen in de house, Miss Bithy? Is you seen a ghostie?" she gasped. Making a great effort to efficiently oppose her civilization to the barbarism confronting her, Mrs. Tabitha said, in a quavering voice: "Cynthia, I know what you have done, and you'd ought not to done it."

Aunt Cynthia began to recover.

"Lo'd Gwd, Miss Bithy, what's I done?"

"Where is your baby?" solemnly. "Pomp? He's asleep—dey ain't nuffin' hu't him, his it?" and with sudden fright the negress hurried to an adjoining room, almost immediately returning with a small bundle of black and white—half asleep, but intact.

"How you done skeer me, Miss Bithy!" A faint color began to show on Mrs. Tabitha's cheeks. Crossing the kitchen, she walked around to the front of the stove. "Where'd you get that chicken?" she asked, severely, pointing to the half-cooked fowl on the broiler.

"Seen dat chicken walkin' roun' like he's los', Miss Bithy, so I deas ketch him an' cook him fur dinna," and she continued to apostrophize the guilty bird while she shook down fresh coals. With her other arm she tenderly supported the baby against her shoulder.—N. Y. Journal.

HOW NOT TO NURSE.

The Vigorous Outburst of a Victimized Patient.

Helen Hunt Jackson, in a letter to her physician, describes a stupid nurse as follows:

Can I endure the presence of this surly, aimless cow another day? No! Why?

She has less faculty than any human being I ever undertook to direct in small matters.

When I ask her to bring me anything, she rises slowly with a movement like nothing I ever saw in my life, unless it be a derriek.

She sighs and drops her under jaw after every exertion.

She "sets" with a ponderous inertia which produces on me the most remarkable effect. I have a morbid impulse to fling my shoes at her head and see what would come of it.

She asks me in dismal tones if I am well in other ways besides my throat, conveying the impression by her slow-rolling eyes that I look to her like a bundle of unfathomable diseases.

She takes the tray out of a trunk to get some article at the bottom (where articles always are), and having given me the article asks helplessly if she shall put the tray back again. (Happy thought.) Next time I'll tell her: "No, we keep the trays in piles on the floor." Is this Christian? No, for she is well-meaning and wishes to do aright, and I don't doubt every glance of my eye sends a thrill of inexplicable discomfort through her.

But as a professional nurse she is the biggest joke I ever saw.—Every Where.

W. A. Mallin, secretary of the Republican county central committee of Champaign county, is now Postmaster Lindsey's chief clerk in Urbana.

Wiley Marvel, of Waynesville, lost a valuable cow by lightning.

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NEWEST IN FIREWORKS.

Catherine Wheels Are Being Run Out by Bike-Wheels.

Less Noise, Finer Displays; But Prices Are Flying as High as the Rockets—Novelties in Fire Balloons.

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"Anything new in fireworks? Yes, the price list."

"How's that?" I asked.

"Prices gone up from 25 to 50 per cent," replied the manager of a great fireworks manufacturing company, up to his ears in the busiest week of the busiest month of the year, but cheerfully ready to talk. "Box of firecrackers, 40 bunches, 60 crackers in a bunch, costs about one dollar. Dealers make up little bunches to sell for a cent, though; noise is still cheap enough."

"What excuse is there for higher prices?"

"Oh, the labor is costly and the new tariff raises the price of chemicals—yes, I know it hasn't gone into effect yet, but it's already making material expensive. Then, too, there's something else. Maybe some of the manufacturers are tired of doing business for nothing, and have kind of fixed up a list. A fireworks trust? Oh, no; just a business agreement. But prices are higher, whatever the cause."

"There's another thing. This Fourth of July business is changing character gradually, and in some ways for the better. Crackers are so cheap, and have been for so long a time, that the boys begin popping 'em two weeks before-hand, which is good for the trade. But on the Fourth itself there's not nearly so much noise as in the good old days. Bicycle, of course. Bicycle hits every-



NOVEL EFFECTS IN FIREWORKS.

body somewhere or other. All the boys who have wheels go off on century runs and the like and don't get back until after dark. Grown-up folks are by far the best customers, because they buy ornamental fireworks for use at night.

This part of the business is growing fast; has been really revolutionized in the past few years. I'll tell you a pretty custom. A few years ago the people living on the 'garden block' in upper Brooklyn combined and put in a dollar or so apiece for a celebration. They had speeches, songs, the reading of the declaration—a regular old-fashioned time of it—and at night a fireworks show. The papers took it up, and you'd be surprised to know how many such 'neighborhood clubs' there are now.

Some that began just by a Fourth of July blow-out kept it up all winter with socials of one sort or another. Splendid idea. Fewer firecrackers, more really beautiful displays, fewer boys blown up and more old people getting a hand in the game—that's the situation in brief. People who have summer homes use quantities of fireworks. Along the inland lakes folks keep a stock of 'em to salute passing steamers. Illumination night up at the Thousand Islands, for instance, along in August; prettiest sight on earth."

"Are there really no novelties except the price list?"

"Plenty of them; only that's the most important. Aquatic and aerial fireworks are the strong novelties, as compared with the old set pieces—which are always good, though. The paper balloons are an example. We make 'em now in the shape of pigs, elephants, men and horses, and that makes more fun. Then we hitch fireworks to 'em to explode in the air. Besides, they're fairly cheap. What are called electric-light effects are a favorite modification of the old rocket idea. Chromatic candles with rainbow effects, 'electric spreaders' which throw out horizontal showers of what look like electric lights, and batteries of colored stars, fired upright, are novelties of this season, though the principle of all is not new. We have upright mortars that fire explosive bombs straight into the air. You can fire a bomb five feet in diameter, if you like. It will burst and make a fine show, but the average private exhibitor wouldn't use many of them at \$180 for a single shot. No. Then there are some very clever Japanese ideas—by the way, if you want something to put in the paper, tell 'em that Chinese firecrackers aren't any more Chinese than I am. Used to

be, maybe; they aren't now. Made right here in this country. The manufacturers get them up, tea-chest letters and all. I don't suppose a boy would buy a bunch of crackers if it hadn't be a washee-washee bill on it and some shiny red paper; but they're made in the United States of America just the same. I suppose there's really more fireworks material coming here from Japan now than from China. The Japs are more inventive. They don't bother with crackers, but invent novelties like day fireworks and bombs and things of that sort. Oh, yes; you can still get Chinese firecrackers if you want them but they're no better.

"I'll say this," the busy man went on. "This is as good, useful and patriotic a business as I want to be in. They can make a fuss about the noise if they want to, but the old-fashioned Fourth of July celebration, even with the modern changes, does make better citizens. It does lead young folks to read up about our early days. It's the same way with a centennial celebration of some historical event. By the time it's over everybody has read or heard all about the event it celebrates, and is just so much wiser. Well, the Fourth is a centennial celebration every year."

SPAIN'S ARMY IN CUBA.

Over a Quarter Million of Men Sent to the Island.

The Diario del Ejercito, which is the newspaper organ of the Spanish army, publishes the following official figures of the troops sent from Spain to Cuba from March 1, 1895, to March 21 last:

Generals, 10; colonels to majors, 276; other officers, 6,222; soldiers, 180,345; total, 187,282.

During the same period Spain sent also to the island of Porto Rico three generals, 25 colonels, lieutenant col-

onels and majors, 179 other officers, and 4,827 privates.

To the Philippine Islands the number of troops sent from Spain has been 20,622, including 5 generals, 96 superior officers, 735 other officers and 25,784 common soldiers. The grand total of men driven out from their homes to the colonial wars in two years is 218,731.

Before the first expedition started from Spain to Cuba the Spanish army in the island numbered 20,000 men. A few days after February 24, 1895, 5,000 soldiers were sent to Cuba from Porto Rico. The Spanish volunteers and militia in Cuba also numbered 60,000 men. The exact number, therefore, of armed men on the Spanish side during the two years of war in Cuba has been 272,282.—Military Gazette, Chicago.

A Painful Meeting.

A dramatic story was told at a Hamilton college alumni dinner in New York. Gen. Schuyler Hamilton gave some interesting incidents from the life of his grandfather and described a meeting between Aaron Burr and Mrs. Hamilton, daughter-in-law of Alexander Hamilton and the mother of the speaker, in 1830. "As Col. Burr entered the room," he said, "my mother, in extreme agitation, seemed about to faint. Col. Burr, noticing this, but not knowing her, immediately went to the sideboard, poured out a glass of water and advanced to hand it to her. It was all done most naturally, gracefully and courteously. My mother shook her head and murmured: 'I am the daughter of Alexander Hamilton.' Without a word Col. Burr placed the glass of water on the sideboard, bowed in silence to the Misses Nathan and quietly retired. It was to him, as to my mother, evidently a very painful meeting. Col. Burr departed himself like a dignified gentleman. I was a little boy about eight years old. Then I learned for the first time to impress the fact upon my memory that Col. Burr had killed my grandfather."—Chicago News.

Avoiding Fable.

"I cannot longer keep the wolf from the door," he sighed, his head sinking dejectedly upon his breast.

Thus he sat until his wife came and kissed his throbbing temples and sought to cheer him.

"Perhaps the wolf will go around to the back door," she whispered.

It was woman's way to reflect upon the bright side of things; she hadn't much use for a side she couldn't reflect on.—Detroit Tribune.

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The Great Demand for Flags in the United States.

More Than Twice That Number Are Flung to the Breeze on July 4—The American People Are Patriotic.

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More than 50,000,000 flags are bought every year by the people of the United States to display on the Fourth of July. More than 100,000,000 flags are flung to the breeze on that day.

The flag-maker of 20 years ago had a smaller capital invested, did less work, and made a greater margin of profit than the flagmaker of to-day; but the competition which drove the flagmaker to reduce the price of his wares developed an increase of business that more than doubled his trade. The flag business to-day amounts to half a million dollars a year, and fully one-

the Saturday before election day. New York city on that day saw a greater display of "Old Glory" than ever before. Ordinarily New York is not so patriotic as some other of the large cities of the United States. In fact, flag-makers say the greater demand for flags is from the western cities. But on Flag day the New York dealers were swamped with orders, and the demand could not be supplied. In Chicago there were not enough flags to go around; a million more banners could have been used if it had been possible to buy them. In every other large city the stock of the dealers was cleaned out long before the day, and presses were working over time turning out flags up to the last minute.

It is estimated that half a million dollars' worth of flags were displayed on that occasion—an amount equal to the normal business of an entire year.

The conditions were extraordinary, however. Usually a big demand for

for the occasion. They had ordered their supply far in advance, calculating the demand from the estimates of the number to be present and their experience with similar occasions in the past. The demand for decorations for Grant day in New York was anticipated. It amounted to about \$50,000. A supply of flags for the Christian Endeavor convention in San Francisco was made and shipped long ago. As for the Fourth of July trade, that keeps the presses going from early in January until a week before the day.

Most of these flags are made in New York. One concern there is said to control four-fifths of the business of the country; but if it had any disposition to create a monopoly it could not do so, because every awning-maker in the United States is a flagmaker.

All the flags for the navy, and many of those for the army, are made in the army and navy establishments.

The cheapest flag you can buy is the muslin flag, two by three inches, at 14 cents a gross. The most expensive article in the regular store stock is a hand-made silk flag for \$100; the largest is 40 feet long. Silk flags can be bought for 30 cents a dozen, and you can have a silk flag made at a cost of \$1,000 if you like. A great many flags costing \$150 and \$200 are made every year, and an order for an \$500 flag would not be considered remarkable. Yet the demand is for the cheaper flags, and the bulk of the business is in the printed muslin kind. The money represented in the flags of silk and bunting, however, is greater annually than the amount spent in the cheaper flags.

The muslin flags and the cheap silk flags are printed on fast presses, like a newspaper. A web of muslin or silk is fed into the press, and it comes out after the one operation printed in two colors on both sides. The muslin is in oil colors which will not run; but silk flags are not in fast colors, and they should never be exposed to the rain. Oil colors on silk would run in printing, and they would cake and grow hard afterward. The problem of printing silk in fast colors has been puzzling the flagmakers for many years. They expect to solve it soon; and if they do, more silk flags will be seen in out-of-doors display.

The printed web is cut up into individual flags under a big knife operated by steam power which goes through several hundred thicknesses of cloth at once. The little sticks on which the flags are to be mounted are made up in the country and are shipped to the city by the car load. Sometimes the web is shipped uncut to be used in draping buildings and halls.

The better class of silk flags and the flags of bunting are not printed, but sewed. There are only two concerns in

the country which make bunting for flags. They make it in many colors, but the red, white and blue is the chief product.

The bunting is cut into strips under the power knives, and the white stars



are cut out of many thicknesses of cloth at one stroke by steel dies. The strips are then sewed together, and the stars sewed on the square blue field. Twenty-five years ago the white stars were inlaid, and some makers made flags in that way until a year ago. The arrangement of stars on the flag is made by the government and officially promulgated. It is followed exactly in the making of the better class flags, and until two years ago it was followed too in the making of printed flags. Just before the admission of Utah, the cuts of wood on brass from which the flags are printed were destroyed and new cuts were made. This entailed a considerable outlay; and believing that it would be only a short time before the other territories were admitted, the flag makers put in the new design, 48 stars. Curiously enough, therefore, the printed flags displayed all over the country on the Fourth of July this year will be incorrect; but it is doubtful whether anyone who does not read this article will stop to count the number of stars on a flag.

The expense of changing the design of flags when a new state is admitted, however, is always balanced by the increased business which comes to the flag-makers, because the owners of flags want them to conform to the regulations and many large flags are sent in to be altered and many others are destroyed when the new star is added.

GRANT HAMILTON.

Would Not Let Them Resign. Secretary Long has refused to permit three naval cadets to resign from the service. They are George Webber, of

Arkansas; H. L. Collins, of Pennsylvania; and P. L. Pratt, of Illinois. These young men have just completed a four years' course at the academy, the last year being devoted to the engineering branch, and they desire to resign to enter into private business. Secretary Long learned that the engineering corps was in need of officers, and declined to accept the young men's resignations.—Military Gazette, Chicago.

Very Willing.

"You want to marry my daughter, eh?" said the practical man. "Well, what provision have you made for the future?"

"O, as to that," replied the suitor, "I'll join church right away."—Philadelphia North American.

Favors the New Ones.

"Do you employ the old school doctors, Miss Elderly?"

"I should say not. I'm too progressive for that. I always call in one of the most recent graduates."—Detroit Free Press.

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Carl S. Reed, of Monticello, graduated last week with high honors from Wabash college. He also won the Baldwin oratorical prize.

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Miss Clara's Parking of Dunbligh, Va., set up in her coffin in obsequies, ending shortly her funeral services.

Fourth of July Rates.

For the Fourth of July the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railway will sell tickets at rate of One Fare for the Round Trip between all points on its own line and within a distance of 30 miles to points on connecting lines. Tickets will be sold on the 2d, 3d and 4th, good returning up to and including the 6th.

P. D. & E. Excursion for California.

\$24.00 from Decatur to San Francisco and Los Angeles. \$24.00 from San Francisco and Los Angeles to Decatur. This is on account of the Christian Endeavor Convention to be held at San Francisco July 7-12. Tickets will be sold June 29, 30, and July 1, 2 and 3. The C. B. & Q. has been selected as the official route from Illinois and will run through sleepers from Peoria to San Francisco June 29 with stop-over privileges at Denver and points west of Denver. Go with the crowd and be happy. Secure reservations at once before it is too late. For full information or reservations call on W. L. Smith, Union Depot, or T. Penwell, 121 East William street.

Sunday Train Service.

On Sunday, May 30th, the Peoria, Decatur & Evansville Railway will resume the Sunday train service. Train No. 40 going north will pass Decatur at 8:30 p. m. Train No. 41 going south will pass at 11:00 a. m.



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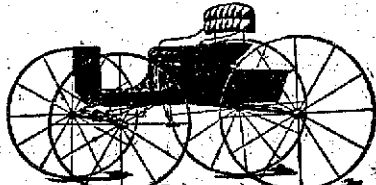
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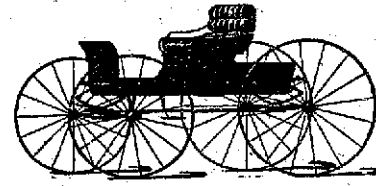
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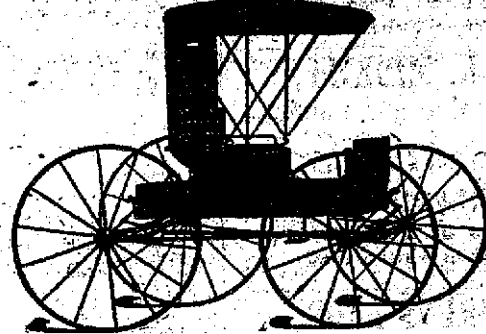


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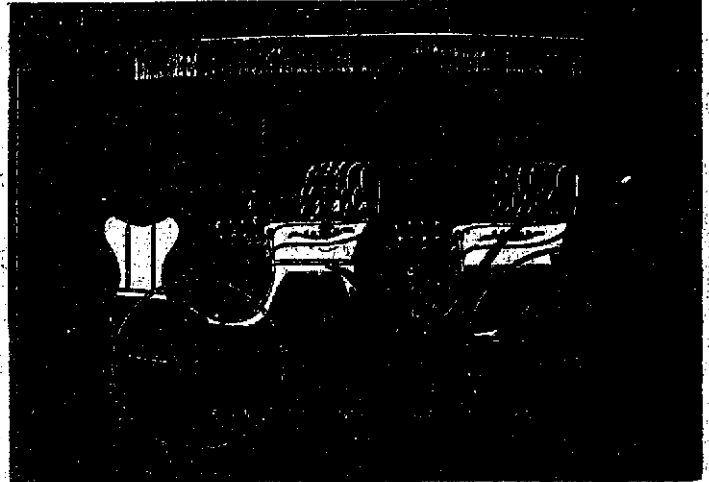


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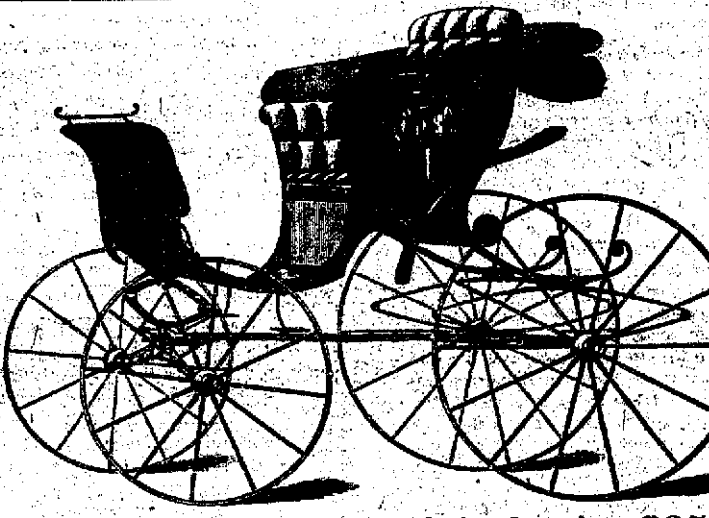
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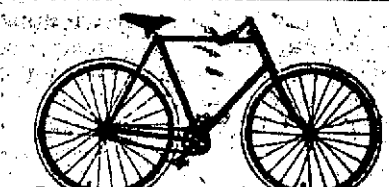


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THESE RIGS MAY BE SEEN AT OUR STORE ALL THIS WEEK. In addition to the above we will sell several Surreys and Farm Wagons. TERMS—Six months time without interest, with 7 Per Cent. Discount for Cash; or we will sell on installments of One-Third down and the balance in 5 monthly payments. J. G. STARR & SON, LINCOLN SQUARE

TACTICS OLD AND NEW.

Few Changes of Principle Since Men Began to Fight.

It is a common error that military tactics are quite different from what they were in ancient times. A brief glance at history will, however, show that the principles upon which troops are trained and fight have not been changed, but merely modified and developed to suit improved arms. A study of military subjects at the present time cannot but prove interesting to all citizens, and, as a distinguished military writer remarks, a perfect knowledge of the principles of the art of war and of their correct application in theory may easily be acquired by any person of average intellect, although, of course, their correct application in practice belongs to a great commander alone.

The Greek phalanx, rendered steady and firm by discipline, overcame the undisciplined Persian warriors, and was in turn beaten by the Roman legion, rendered more mobile than the phalanx by constant training. After the Carthagenians were the Romans, learning by experience, formed strong reserves of horse and foot, which were brought into action at the decisive moment of the battle. Another point to be noted in connection with the legion is that it owed much of its success to the employment of a greater number of missile weapons than its opponents, and thus early we have the lesson taught of the necessity of obtaining what tacticians call "fire superiority."

The victories of the English army in the days of the Plantagenets were also gained by similar tactics, for they consisted in discharging large flights of arrows upon the enemy as he advanced to the attack, and then, when he was thrown into confusion by their fire, assuming the offensive and charging down the flank with large bodies of horsemen, which were always posted on the wings ready for that purpose.

After the introduction of firearms the first general to benefit largely by the change was Gustavus Adolphus. The success of this great commander was due to his clear perception of the fact that mobility must depend on discipline and the great advances his troops made in development of fire. It was also to the understanding of these points by Frederick the Great and the energetic manner in which he used his knowledge in the training of his forces that Prussia owed the rapid transformation of her army into the most formidable force in Europe.

Frederick's tactics, which were the basis of what are termed "linear tactics," consisted in forming his troops into two lines (the cavalry being on the wings, the infantry in the center and the artillery, usually in heavy batteries, on the front) and, when once the troops were engaged, in rapid firing and repeated bayonet charges. There were no skirmishers, for the line once formed was launched at the enemy and sought to overpower him as rapidly as possible.

The skirmishing tactics of Napoleon's army have been extolled for a whole century and have been made the basis of regulations innumerable; yet it was through force of circumstances rather than from choice that these tactics were pursued. The French army at the close of the last century, composed of the levies of the revolution, was not capable of fighting in line, and as there was no time to train it to the state of perfection required by that system it fought as in clumps, the braver spirits being pushed forward in extended order. With the unlimited numbers of men at the command of Napoleon, this method proved successful against the peace-trained armies of the continent, but it broke down before the well-trained line of England.

During the present century great advances have been made in the improvement of firearms. The rifle took the place of the smooth-bore, the breech-loader was substituted for the muzzle-loader, and now the magazine rifle has been universally adopted by civilized powers. Side by side with the improvements made in firearms, artillery has advanced step by step, until by the effect of its shrapnel shell field artillery has become one of the most potent and terrible factors of the modern army.

What the battle of the future will be when highly trained and numerous army corps pour the concentrated fire of shrapnel and musketry, propelled by smokeless powder, one upon another cannot even be imagined, much less described. Of this, however, we may be assured, that that army which makes "discipline" the basis of its organization and tactics will prevail in the future as in the past.—Fall Mail Gazette.

Civilization Does Not Stick.

Seymour Foote, an old Kansan, who now resides in Blaine county, O. T., gives an interesting account of how difficult it is to make civilization stick with the Indian. A number of Cheyenne and Arapahoe Indians have been sent from Blaine county to be educated in the white man's ways, most of them to the school at Carlisle. On their return they carry all the evidences of civilization—dress in white man's clothes and speak English well. A few weeks' contact with the tribe works wonders. The first indication on their return to savagery is the manner in which they let their hair grow long. Next they become recalcitrant, and a few months puts them into the blankets and leggings. The fact is, the wild Indians laugh at the educated ones and shame them into returning to the savage state. Red Bird, a chief of the Cheyennes, is a graduate of Hartford, but he wears blankets and paints his face with vermilion.—Wichita (Kan.) Eagle.

A Roast in Store for Them.

The Editor's Wife—Are poets poorly paid? The Editor—They aren't paid at all; but I'm living in hope that they'll get their punishment hereafter.—N. Y. Truth.

THE RUSSIAN CENSUS.

A Large Increase in the Population of Cities Shown by the Enumeration.

Russia is one of the few countries of Europe in which statements of the population are based not upon official enumeration, but upon estimates sometimes inaccurate. While, therefore, the population of a city, province, or district of Russia has been known in a general way, an exact and detailed record of the number of inhabitants at any given time, such as is kept in London, Paris and New York, has been lacking. Recently, there has been taken a census of the population of the large cities of Russia and the Novoe Veremye of Moscow gives details of the preliminary count.

Fifteen years ago the population of Russian cities was returned as follows: St. Petersburg, 845,000; Moscow, 755,000; Warsaw, 430,000; Odessa, 240,000; Riga, 170,000, and Kharhoff, 165,000. These were the six cities in Russia having more than 150,000 population each, according to the estimates made at that time. By the census just completed—the first regular census taken in Russia—it is seen that St. Petersburg has a population of 1,250,000, or very little less than the city of Vienna, and more than Tokio, Japan. This puts St. Petersburg seventh in the list of cities of the world, London being first, the enlarged New York second, Paris third, Berlin fourth, Canton fifth, and Vienna sixth. The next largest European city after St. Petersburg is Constantinople, the population of which has always been somewhat conjectured, for a detailed enumeration of its inhabitants has never been made, and, moreover, the number of transients in Constantinople is at all times considerable. The second largest city of Russia is Moscow, the population of which was returned by the recent census as within a small fraction of the million mark—997,387. Moscow is a much older city than St. Petersburg, and it was for many years the chief city of Russia, but that distinction belongs to it no longer, though, as may be seen, the population of the old Russian capital is largely on the increase. The third largest city in Russia is Warsaw, with a population of 550,000, and Odessa is fourth with a population of 350,000. Two Russian cities which have increased very largely are Kiev and Lodz in Poland. Fifteen years ago the population of Kiev was 120,000, but it is now 200,000. Fifteen years ago the population of Lodz was 110,000; it is now 150,000. Nineteen Russian cities are returned as having upward of 100,000 inhabitants each. Thirty-five cities in the empire have more than 50,000 population. Samarkand and Kokand occupy higher places in the list than such ancient and important centers as Tver, Kursk and Pottava.

The complete results of the Russian census will be made known by the end of August. The marked growth in the population of Russian cities is ascribable in considerable measure to the increased development of Russian railroads and to the improved methods of communication throughout the empire. The total population of Russia, urban and rural, with colonies included, is far in excess of 100,000,000, and the rate of increase is rapid.—N. Y. Sun.

LIFE IN A CONVICT COLONY.

New Caledonia a Delightful Place in Which to Pass Imprisonment.

"The island of New Caledonia, where I have lived for the past ten years, is a French penal colony," said C. G. Freeman, an English gentleman. "I went there for my health, expecting to stay only a short time, but went into the business of raising coffee, for which that country is well adapted, and finally concluded to stay permanently. New Caledonia is 1,200 miles east of Australia, and, although within the tropics, has a delightful climate for ten months in the year. During January and February the weather is so excessively hot that one cannot live in comfort. It is 40 miles wide by 400 long.

"There are between 5,000 and 6,000 convicts on the island, and perhaps an equal number of ticket of leave men—that is, men who have served out their terms of imprisonment, but who are forbidden to leave, and have to report to the authorities, twice a year. They are a miserable, spiritless lot, these ticket of leave fellows, who work just enough to keep from starvation, and whose highest ambition is to get money enough for a debauch. The convicts are treated very humanely by the French officials, and I doubt if there is a penal settlement in the world where the men have the same care and consideration shown them.

"The coffee plantations are worked largely by negroes, who come from the New Hebrides under contract to stay two or three years, the local labor being very unreliable. The pay of the laborers is two dollars per month and rations, rice being the principal article of food. This cheapness of labor is the explanation of the profit in cultivating coffee. If we had to pay the wages current in the United States there would be no money in its production. We export to France and are allowed a rebate of one-half of the entry duties, which is a considerable bonus.

"There are a few Englishmen in New Caledonia, but no Americans, I believe, outside of the consul. The French are very jealous of foreigners and discourage all outsiders from coming there."—Washington Post.

Stopped the Confab.

"Be careful what you say over the line, Mrs. Brightly; you may be sure the telephone girl is listening."

"Of course she is."

"Indeed I'm not," yelled the hullo maid, and the sizzling, crackling sound with which she broke the combination caused both of the women to run.—Detroit Free Press.

—An aged Newcastle convict solemnly bequeathed his worldly effects to a certain institution. They consisted of a pocket knife, a lead pencil, a two-foot rule and two nances.

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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Anna Maria Melchior, Deceased. The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Anna Maria Melchior, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday of August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 13th day of June, 1897.

ALEXANDER McINTOSH, Executor of the Estate of Anna Maria Melchior, Deceased.

Alexander McIntosh, Atty.

June 15-dw

Administratrix' Notice.

Estate of Stella G. Kider, Deceased. The undersigned having been appointed administratrix of the estate of Stella G. Kider, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that she will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the August term, on the first Monday of August next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned. Dated this 13th day of June, 1897.

OABRIE E. KNAPP, Administratrix.

June 3-dw

Executor's Notice of Final Settlement.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, ss. Estate of Thomas Wilson, Deceased. To Sarah Wilson, Thomas W. Oakes, Frank Oakes, Louis Oakes and Leah Addis, widow, and legatees of said estate. You are hereby notified that on Monday, July 19th, 1897, the undersigned, executor of the last will and testament of said deceased, will present to the County Court of Macon county, at Decatur, Illinois, his final report of the said estate and doings as such executor, and ask the court to discharge him from any and all claims and responsibilities connected with said estate and his administration thereof, at which time and place you may be present and object to or assent to the discharge of the undersigned. (Signed) D. L. BUNN, Executor.

June 17-dw

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at 8 o'clock. All members of the degree and
are earnestly requested to be present. As mat-
ters of unusual importance are to be considered.
O. M. LITTLE, Grand Captain.

LOCAL NEWS.

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At Mr. Dean's Sunday there will be
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which a union of five of the country soci-
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course of reconstruction.

Ladies' Green Oxfords, \$1.50 and \$2.50.
Ladies' Purple Oxfords, Children's Purple
Shoes. Ladies' Green Bicycle Boots
\$3.00. At Powers' Shoe Store.

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Lewis Gillmore, of Indianapolis, Ind.,
son of Rev. and Mrs. W. F. Gillmore, of
this city, will be united in marriage this
evening at Jacksonville to Miss Elva Lot-
ton. The ceremony will occur at 5:30
o'clock. Miss Nellie Gillmore will also
be in attendance. The groom is a train
dispatcher in the employ of the Big Four
railroad company at Indianapolis.

Dan Culp for pumps, force pumps,
lift pumps, wood pumps, chain pumps,
and water elevators, 223 N. Main st.
Durtée & Culp. May 25-dtf

There was something of a scene in Chi-
cago yesterday afternoon during the Bar-
num & Bailey show, owing to the storm.
Mr. Bailey stated that the management
was not afraid of damage to the tent.
They are always more concerned about
preventing a panic and controlling the
crowd. The threatened stampede was
averted. No damage in Chicago.

CLEVER MAGICIAN.

Slight of Hand Performance in the Win-
dow of the Linn & Scruggs Store.

Rheda, a Hindu magician, gave a per-
formance this afternoon in the East Main
street window of the Linn & Scruggs
store, before a large number of spectators.
She performed some very clever slight of
hand tricks, which amused the spectators.
The Linn & Scruggs store has secured her
services for a few days and she will give
free performances at 9:30 o'clock in the
morning and 9 o'clock in the evening and
also at night. The sidewalk was crowd-
ed at the performance this afternoon and
the lady's tricks are really well performed
and worth witnessing.

Funeral of Rev. James Werner.
The funeral of the late Rev. James Wer-
ner, which was largely attended, took
place this forenoon from the Church of
God. Rev. Mr. Huston conducted the
services. It is probable that after the re-
turn of Rev. J. Bernard, the pastor, from
Europe, an appropriate memorial service
will be held. The interment was in
Greenwood.

The pallbearers were George W. Lyon,
A. L. Fisher, W. J. Huff, S. Hugenber-
ger, John Boyer and John Good. The
Rev. W. B. Allen assisted at the service.

At Riverside.

Tonight "The Embassy Ball," a society
comedy in four acts, will be presented at
Riverside. It is a very interesting play,
containing an abundance of comedy and
a dramatic story of absorbing interest.
The company has been doing some excel-
lent work, and the entertainments are
deserving of liberal patronage.

Easterly Appointed.

Washington, June 24.—The president
today nominated Geo. W. Easterly of Min-
nesota, to be deputy auditor for the state
and other departments.

Old People.

Old people who require medicine to
regulate the bowels and kidneys will
find the true remedy in Electric Bitters.
This medicine does not stimulate and
contains no whiskey or other intoxicant,
but acts as a tonic and alterative. It
acts mildly on the stomach and bowels,
adding strength and giving tone to the
organs, thereby aiding Nature in the
performance of the functions. Electric
Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids
digestion. Old people find it just ex-
actly what they need. Price fifty cents
and \$1 per bottle at West's drug store.

Mrs. Cynthia Nichols, of Wayneville,
who is 92 years old, is strong and quite
well.

MONEY TO LOAN—Any amount;
reasonable terms. Apply to Geo. W.
Ehrhart, 127 North Water street, up
stairs. May 31-dlm

RACES POSTPONED.

The Wheelmen Will Hold Their Meeting
To-Morrow Night If the Weather
is Fair.

The race meeting which was to have
been held this evening at the race track
has been postponed until tomorrow even-
ing on account of the wet weather. The
races could have been held but the bad
weather would have kept the people away.
If it is not fair tomorrow night the races
will be postponed until next Wednesday
evening. The different events, the en-
tries and the prizes will be as follows:

Five mile handicap, three prizes; first,
\$3; second, box of cigars \$2; third,
pair silver cuff buttons, \$1.

1. L. E. Rogers, scratch.
2. Ben Hoffman, 200 yards.
3. Frank Ford, 250 yards.
4. Guy Conklin, 350 yards.
5. A. L. Fuller, 475 yards.
6. Earl Walmsley, 575 yards.
7. John Hayland, 635 yards.
8. B. O. Conklin, 645 yards.
9. F. Pabst, 740 yards.
10. Homer Erwin, 800 yards.
11. Will Murray, 850 yards.
12. O. W. Armstrong, 900 yards.
One mile, 2:40 time. Three prizes;
first, dress shirt \$5; second, trousers,
\$3; third, bicycle stockings, \$1. Entries,
Ben Hoffman, Frank Ford, Guy Conklin,
A. C. Fuller, Earl Walmsley, E. C.
Conklin, Homer Erwin, O. W. Armstrong.
One mile club championship. \$100, red
and white ribbons prizes. Entries, L. E.
Rogers, Ben Hoffman, Frank Ford, Guy
Conklin, A. L. Fuller, Earl Walmsley.

WEDDING NEAR EMERY.

James Alpha Jones and Miss Emma L.
Meeker at the Altar.

Married, on Wednesday evening, June
23, at 8 o'clock at the home of Mr. and
Mrs. Lon Bartlett, near Emery, Ill., by
Rev. L. E. Newcomer, Miss Emma L.
Meeker and James Alpha Jones. While
the bridal couple, unattended, assumed
their position beneath an arch of drape-
ries and flowers, and during the ceremony
which followed, the Lehengs wedding
march was softly played. After congrat-
ulations a delicious supper was served.
The bride was becomingly attired in a
dainty costume of Paris mullin with
trimmings of lace and ribbon, with white
roses in her hair. The groom wore the
usual black. Mr. Jones is a successful
farmer living east of Macon, where he and
his wife will be a home to their many
friends. The bride has taught school
with marked success for a number of
years and is a lady of unusual intellect
and refinement. Only the immediate
relatives were present. M. C. Meeker of
Philadelphia, Pa., Miss Cleo Barber of
Macon, Mr. and Mrs. S. D. McKenney of
Decatur, were among the guests.

MERCHANTS TO CLOSE JULY 5.

All of the Clerks and Business Men Will
Have a Holiday.

A numerously signed agreement to close
business houses all day Monday, July 5,
was circulated today by George W. Meyer
and others. The signers agree to remain
closed on the 5th of July all day. Prac-
tically every store in the city of any con-
sequence is on the list. Most of the gro-
cery stores will be open until noon. They
will then close for the balance of the day.
This arrangement will give all the mer-
chants and clerks opportunity to go away
Monday or engage in any outing they
may plan at home.

THE BILLS ARE UP

For the Celebration in Decatur on Satur-
day, July 2d.

Today the red, white and blue posters
for the celebration of the Fourth of July
in Decatur, at the Trotting park, Satur-
day, July 2, are being sent out, and soon
everybody for 100 miles around Decatur
will be informed of the glorious time we
are to have at the park and in the city.
There will be fireworks and band music
at night in the city.

All Decatur people should write to their
friends out of town and tell them to come
here if they want to have a good time.

The California Excursion.

There will be a large number of persons
go from this city and vicinity on the
Christian Endeavor excursion to Califor-
nia. Two through sleeping cars to start
from Decatur have been reserved and a
few berths in a third car have been re-
served. The Decatur party will leave this
city on June 30, at 7:30 o'clock, by way
of the Wabash. Among this from Decatur
who have reserved berths are Mrs. J.
N. Randall, Miss Rogers, Miss Powers,
Mrs. H. H. Brown, A. O. Smith, Mrs. G.
E. Knight, S. B. Waldorf and family,
Miss L. B. Wyckoff, Miss Garmany, Miss
Carrie Knapp, C. P. Thatcher, Miss El-
sie Brown, Miss Kate G. Alkin, Miss Mat-
thews, Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Buckingham,
Conrad Ammann, and Mrs. E. A. West.
Among those from out of town who will
go from this city are D. D. Watson of
Clinton; Mrs. William Ritchie, of War-
rensburg; Miss Peck, of Cerro Gordo; Miss
Hall, of Warrensburg; Alice Dillow of
Cerro Gordo; J. C. Peck, of Cerro Gordo;
Mrs. E. Reed, of Warrensburg; Mrs.
Brown; Mrs. Dillow, Mr. Reynolds, B. J.
Smith, Miss I. Reaser, J. G. Griggs and
wife and Miss Torrance, all of Danville;
F. Langley, of Taylorville; James Mul-
len, of Sullivan, and F. Ater, of Cerro
Gordo.

The Sea-Lark Safe.

Portsmouth, England, June 24.—The
training brig Sea Lark, concerning whose
safety anxiety has been expressed, reached
Spithead, safely today. It has been dis-
abled in a gale and damaged by head
winds. The brig had 280 souls on board.

JENKINS AND BRUCE

Two Confidence Men Sent to the
County Jail for 30 Days.

BOTH SAID THEY WERE GUILTY.

Entries on the Docket in the Foreclos-
ure Cases—May Judgments
Entered by the
Court.

In the circuit court today Robert Hesse
and George Jenkins, the two strangers
who by a confidence game attempted to
secure Harry St. Clair out of all his
money, stood up in court and pleaded
guilty. The court heard the statements,
and after ascertaining that the two men
had been prisoners for about a month,
each was sentenced to the county jail for
thirty days. They were thankful to get
off their way.

The trial of Al. McArthur and Bess
Smith, with Cora Buckner, an accessory,
will be called up tomorrow. They are
indicted for connection with robbery.
Two witnesses are at St. Louis. Deputy
Holmes will go after them.

Common Law Docket.
James E. Osborne vs. F. M. Bume; re-
plevin; default.

Fannie S. Cairns vs. Laura A. Hunt;
assumpsit. Motion entered to settle place
and affidavit from files, and motion to
amend.

Chancery Docket.

Miss K. Young receiver vs. E. M. Wey-
gant; foreclosure. Master's report ap-
proved. Decrees for \$758 and costs. Re-
ceiver's bond \$850.

Blair Starn vs. Bertha Showers; fore-
closure. Dismissed at cost of plaintiff.

J. K. Gorin vs. E. A. Ewing; foreclos-
ure. Master's report set aside as to cross
bill on motion of complainant and refer-
red to special master.

Peter Loeb vs. C. E. Schroll; foreclos-
ure. Master's report approved. Decrees
for \$2946.75. Receiver's bond \$500.

Sheridan Tupper vs. C. E. Schroll; fore-
closure. Master reports due complainant,
\$1166. Decree for same.

Emma Housen vs. Alonzo Hall; fore-
closure. Master reports due complainant
and \$96.06. Decree for same.

G. W. Handy vs. W. M. Yantis; fore-
closure. Master report approved and de-
cree for \$1829. Receiver's bond \$300.

Blue Mound Savings and Loan associa-
tion vs. Jos. A. Quary; foreclosure.
Master's report approved. Decree for
\$351.97. Solicitor's fee \$90. Receiver's
bond \$300.

Harry Gemmer vs. Fred Balter; fore-
closure. Master's report approved. De-
cree for \$335. Receiver's bond \$300.

C. F. Storr vs. Bertha Feder; foreclos-
ure. Death of Stella C. Kidder. Carrie
E. Knapp, administratrix, made party
defendant and her appearance entered in
writing.

Minnie M. Shaffer vs. Guy T. Shaffer;
divorce and injunction. Cross motion by
plaintiff for alimony and solicitor's fee.

Tuttle Brick Co. vs. M. L. Becker;
foreclosure. Decree pro confesso vs. de-
fendants not answering original and cross
bill and referred.

Same vs. D. C. Jones, foreclosure.
Same order.

J. K. Hardy vs. B. G. Clements; parti-
tion. Commissioner's report approved
and decree of sale.

Wm. Taylor vs. J. L. Cochran; foreclos-
ure. Decree pro confesso and referred.

A. T. Risley vs. Adam Mathias; fore-
closure. Decree pro confesso as to defend-
ant not answering and referred.

Murillo Glasgow vs. M. J. Matthews;
foreclosure. Master's report approved.
Decree complainant on original bill \$3863.95.
First lien and on cross bill \$380.99. Re-
ceiver's bond \$600.

Harry Flisk, Jr., assignee, vs. Ed
White; foreclosure. Master's report ap-
proved. Decree of foreclosure for \$1064.
Receiver's bond \$600.

D. E. Brooks vs. W. H. Barnett; fore-
closure. Dismissed as to L. M. Danna.
Decree pro confesso as to defendants not
answering. Referred to master.

C. M. Powers vs. Albert Jones; fore-
closure. Leave to answer cross bill in-
stantly. Decree pro confesso as to de-
fendants not answering. Referred.

Martin L. Osborne vs. E. B. Grinstead;
foreclosure. Master's report approved.
Decree for \$394.45.

David Hookman vs. Mary Nicky; bill
to quiet title. Master's report approved
and decree as prayed.

Oliver Bear vs. George Harpethite, bill
to quiet title. Decree pro confesso as to
defendants not answering. Demurrer to
bill overruled and rule to answer next
Saturday.

Edie R. Powers vs. Rodolph Thomas et
al; foreclosure. Decree of foreclosure for
\$1292.23 and costs on original bill, and
\$449.39 on cross bill. Decree of sale en-
tered.

Peter Christopher vs. John L. Showal-
ter et al; foreclosure. Decree for \$116.93.
Samuel H. Jenson vs. Frank H. Cou-
verse et al; foreclosure. Decree for
\$264.15.

Josiah M. Clotey vs. Sarah A. Cun-
ningham et al; foreclosure. Decree for
\$1281.59.

A Chicago dime savings bank has gone
into the hands of a receiver.

PERSONAL MENTION.

—C. P. Thatcher, who has been at Lake
Bluff, is home.

—Rev. E. B. Randle arrived home to-
day from Jacksonville.

—Mrs. George H. Staunton, of Chicago,
is in the city visiting Mrs. Albert Barnes.

—Attorney A. M. Taylor went to Clin-
ton today on legal business.

—Arthur Hartley is home from Jack-
sonville, where he has been visiting
friends.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Moeller are
home from a visit to Jacksonville.

—Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Murphy will
leave tomorrow for Lake Bluff to stay for
a month.

—E. L. Laughlin, of Chicago, checked
up the Decatur postoffice today and left
for other points. He came in yesterday.

—Miss Nellie Pratt, who has been at-
tending the Wellesley college at Wellesley,
Mass., is home to spend the vacation with
her mother, F. M. Pratt.

—W. H. Starr and wife and two chil-
dren, who have been visiting friends at
Harrisburg, Pa., will be home next week.

—Mrs. George Fink and son, Howard,
left last night for Cincinnati, Ohio, where
they will visit friends.

—Mrs. Homer Montgomery and Mrs.
M. O. Conklin went to Taylorville today
to visit friends.

—Mrs. Dr. Chauncey Sherick and two
sons, of Monmouth, N. J., in the city visit-
ing Mrs. Elizabeth Sherick on North Ed-
ward street.

—Col. I. H. Hergoon, former receiver
for the Peoria division of the Vandalla
road, came in from Ohio this morning
and was cordially greeted by many
friends. He will go east tonight.

MONEY FOR CHURCHES.
Charles Crump Will Probated at Bloom-
ington on Wednesday.

Bloomington Pangraph. The will of
the late Charles Crump was admitted to
probate yesterday. The entire estate is
left to his widow, Henrietta, with in-
structions to fulfill certain conditions.

The Methodist church at Macon receives
eight lots in that town, and the church at
Larned, Kan., 100 acres of land in Paw-
nee county, Kan. At the death of the
widow, deceased's brother, Lemuel, it is
to receive 160 acres in Montgomery county.

Rev. Lemuel Crump, of Shipman, is to
settle the estate. The will was drawn
May 9, 1897, and is witnessed by Mrs. H.
G. Reeves and Mrs. Sarah Allison. At
the death of Mrs. Crump the Wesleyan
university will be entitled to the income
from an endowment of about \$25,000.

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.
The Reiner Barn at Blue Mound—400
Cows Killed.

During the storm at Blue Mound yester-
day evening, lightning struck Richard
Reiner's barn in the north part of the
village damaging the barn about \$25,000
and killing a valuable Jersey cow worth
\$40.

Farmers say the clover crop has been
greatly damaged by the recent heavy
rains.

Nothing In It.
Somebody started a wild story last even-
ing that during the afternoon cyclone
had done great damage in Illinois, and
many inquiries were made at the Repub-
lican office by telephone and in person.

One yarn was that Chicago had been
partly blown away, and another was that
Joliet had suffered. The stories could
not be verified. There were heavy rains
but no more damage anywhere than there
was in Decatur, and there was none here.

Admitted to the Bar.
Joseph Housman, formerly of this city,
has been admitted to the bar and is now a
full fledged lawyer. At the appellate court
at Ottawa yesterday about fifty applicants
were examined and admitted to the bar.

Mrs. Housman studied in the law office of
Attorney W. C. Johns in this city and for
the past year has been in Chicago finish-
ing his education. He is a son of C. P.
Housman, of Decatur.

Exercises to Begin at 11.
The Fourth of July exercises at the De-
catur Trotting park Saturday, July 2,
will begin at 11 o'clock sharp instead of
10 o'clock as formerly announced. Up to
that hour the people will be entertained
in Central Park by the band and chorus.

Rain and Lightning.
There was another stormy time in De-
catur last night, considerable rain and
lots of brilliant lightning. More rain fell
today.

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